

January 17, 2001

**Amended Order Pursuant to Section 202(c) of the Federal Power Act**

On January 11, 2001, pursuant to Section 202(c) of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 824a(c)) and 10 C.F.R. § 205.370, because of a shortage of currently operational electric generation facilities, a shortage of water used to generate electricity, unusual volatility of electricity and natural gas markets, and for other reasons, I determined that California was experiencing an unexpected shortage of electric energy. Therefore, pursuant to Section 202(c) of the Federal Power Act, I found an emergency existed in California by reason of the shortage of electric energy, and issued an order requiring entities listed in the order to make arrangements to generate, deliver, interchange, and transmit electric energy when, as, and in such amounts as may be requested by the California Independent System Operator (California ISO).

I find that the circumstances which led to my previous determination that California was experiencing a shortage of electric energy continue and hereby extend the Section 202(c) emergency order until 3:00 a.m., EST, January 24, 2001.

The January 11, 2001, emergency order required the California ISO to submit a progress report on the California state program to reduce peak load electricity use from a responsible state official by 5:00 p.m., EST, January 16, 2001. In satisfaction of that requirement, a progress report from the secretary of the California State and Consumer Services Agency was submitted on January 16. I am requiring the California ISO to submit a further progress report on the state program to reduce peak load electricity use from a responsible state official by 5:00 p.m., EST, January 22, 2001.

Section 307 of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. §825f) may be relied on as appropriate to ensure compliance with the January 11, 2001, order, as amended herein, as well as the prior order of December 14, 2000, as amended,<sup>1</sup> regarding the emergency shortage of electric energy in California.

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<sup>1</sup> That emergency order was extended and modified on December 20, 2000, extended again on December 27, 2000, and further extended and modified on January 5, 2001. The original December 14, 2000, emergency order and the December 20, 2000, amended order were published in the Federal Register on December 29, 2000 (65 FR 82989). The December 27, 2000, and the January 5, 2001, amendments have not been published to date. The December 14, 2000, as amended, emergency order expired at 3:00, a.m., EST, January 11, 2001.

All other terms of the January 11, 2001, order remain the same and in effect.

ORDER

For the reasons set forth above, pursuant to Section 202(c) of the Federal Power Act, it is ordered that:

- A. Ordering Paragraph C of the “Order pursuant to Section 202(c) of the Federal Power Act” (the Order), dated January 11, 2001, is amended to read as follows: “This order is effective immediately and expires at 3:00 a.m., EST, January 24, 2001, unless altered or revoked by further order.”.
- B. Ordering Paragraph D of the Order is amended by adding the following sentence after the sentence ending with “January 16, 2001.”: “The California ISO must submit a further progress report on the state program to reduce peak load electricity use from a responsible state official by 5:00 p.m., EST, January 22, 2001.”.

Issued in Washington, D. C., on January 17, 2001

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Bill Richardson  
Secretary